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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 46320  
Ivan HENINGER et al. : Confirmation Number: 5939  
Application No.: 10/711,940 : Group Art Unit: 2132  
Filed: October 14, 2004 : Examiner: B. Lanier  
For: SYSTEMS, METHODS, AND COMPUTER READABLE MEDIUM FOR AVOIDING  
A NETWORK ADDRESS COLLISION

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner For Patents  
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Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted herewith.